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NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Applicant must file the items indicated below within the time period set the Office action to which the Notice is attached to avoid abandonment under 35 U.S.C. § 133 (extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)).

The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

- ☐ 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998).
- ☐ 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
- ☐ 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☐ 4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."
- ☐ 5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
- ☐ 6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable form of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☒ 7. Other: See attached explanation

Applicant Must Provide:

- ☒ An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing".
- ☒ An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- ☒ A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).

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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application

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1. This application contains sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences set forth in 37 CAR 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). However, this application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CAR 1.821 through 1.825 for the reason(s) set forth on the attached Notice To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures.

2. Applicant is given ONE MONTH, or THIRTY DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this letter within which to comply with the sequence rules, 37 CAR 1.821 - 1.825. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in ABANDONMENT of the application under 37 CAR 1.821(g). Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CAR 1.136(a). In no case may an applicant extend the period for reply beyond the SIX MONTH statutory period. Direct the reply to the undersigned. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached Notice to Comply with the reply.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ja-Na Hines whose telephone number is (703)305-0487. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 7:30-5:00 pm (Eastern Time) and 7:30-4:00 PM every other Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lynette Smith, can be reached at (703)308-3909. The FAX phone number for group 1600 is (703)308-4242.

An inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of the application should be directed to the group receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-0196.

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SEQUENCE COMPLIANCE

Amendment Entry

1. Applicant filed an amendment January 22, 2001 directing the entry of SEQ ID NO:10 and removing the amino acid sequence in claim 1 and throughout the specification; however the sequence listed in SEQ ID NO:10 is not identical to the sequence listed within the specification. SEQ ID NO:10 has amino acid 17 as a Glycine, while the sequence in the specification and claims recites amino acid 17 as a Glutamine. See also claims 5-6. Therefore it is requested that applicant correct and explain the discrepancy. Thus the entry of SEQ ID NO:10 is currently new matter.
2. Furthermore, it is noted that SEQ ID NO:11 is a nucleotide sequence encoding the secretory signal sequence. However, the nucleic acid residues of SEQ ID NO:11 do not correspond to the amino acid residues of the signal sequence as recited in SEQ ID NO:10. Therefore, it is requested that applicant explain this inconsistency.
3. Finally it is requested that applicant review the entire specification and claims to ensure that the sequences disclosed within the specification match the sequence listing information. Applicant should comply with the requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide and amino acid sequence disclosures.
4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ja-Na Hines whose telephone number is (703) 305-0487. The

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February 13, 2002

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